

7000 IN CITY WILL BECOME ALIEN ENEMIES

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WILSON URGES DECLARATION OF WAR AGAINST AUSTRIA

CLAIM HOADLEY TOOK \$144,956 FOR OWN USE

Funds of Former Head of American & British Company Said To Be In the Hands of Kenneth W. McNeil Attached in Suit.

Alleging that he used his position as a director of the company from 1902 until 1916 to cause the expenditure of \$144,956.29 for his own benefit and not for the benefit of the company, the American & British Manufacturing Co. of New York, with a plant in this city, has filed suit in the Superior court against George W. Hoadley of New York, claiming damages of \$250,000.

Funds in the hands of Kenneth W. McNeil, said to be owned by Hoadley, in the City National bank, and stock and other interests of Hoadley in the Liberty Ordnance Co. have been placed under attachment.

The complaint alleges that Hoadley, through his position as a director of the American & British Co., caused the expenditure of large sums of money for his own benefit and not for the benefit of the company. Specific amounts are not mentioned, but the aggregate is alleged to be \$144,956.29. It is also alleged that he caused this money to be expended with intent to defraud the company.

Damages of \$250,000 are claimed, and accounting of the money involved, and such other equitable relief as the courts may see fit to accord is claimed.

Hoadley was formerly an official of the company. He is also said to be a stockholder in the Liberty Ordnance Co., of which Kenneth W. and Archibald McNeil are officers, and attachment has been placed upon his interests in that concern.

George W. Hoadley, against whom the suit is brought held the position of president of the company for several years previous to 1916, when he was succeeded by John C. Stanley, the present executive, in a reorganization of the affairs of the company. He is a brother of Joseph H. Hoadley, also connected with the company, and against whom several suits are pending in which the allegations are of a somewhat similar nature.

In the suits against Joseph H. Hoadley his beautiful yacht was attached, and he himself was served with papers while in a prominent New York hotel and preparing to go to dinner with his wife. That affair created considerable comment at the time.

REVOLVER SHOT ENDS ARGUMENT; ONE IS ARRESTED

Ill-feeling that has existed, according to report, for about a month, brought matters between Frank Paris and Nicholas Lidesa, both of 431 Water street, to a climax, this morning, when Lidesa drew a revolver from his pocket as the two were arguing over the breakfast cups in the restaurant at the above address, and after some preliminary firing, fired at Paris.

The bullet passed through the fleshy portion of Paris' left hand, between the thumb and index finger, inflicting only a minor wound. Paris went to a doctor to have the injury dressed, while Lidesa was taken in custody by some of those present and held until the arrival of Detectives Wheeler and Thierick, who placed him under arrest on a charge of assault with intent to kill.

What words led up to the shooting are not known. The gun was empty when Lidesa first drew it and commanded Paris to hold up his hands. Afterward, however, he inserted one bullet and fired.

Mob Beseiges Fuel Office to Get Coal Cards

A mob of more than 200 persons—housewives and husbands—beseiged the office of the Bridgeport Fuel Committee, Room 15, Stratfield building, Main and Golden Hill streets, today and up to noon more than 100 coal cards had been issued to persons claiming to be in want of coal and unable to get it from their dealers.

Murray Caldwell, secretary, was an exceedingly busy man and was still submerged in work at press hour. Plans to further relieve the situation will be made at a meeting of the committee this evening when a standard price and measure will be established for street peddlars of coal. Since the shortage of coal became acute, the street pedlar has practically been ignored by the dealers, who have refused to sell them any coal, fearing they would charge excessive prices.

Chairman Carl F. Siemon believes these street peddlars will bring great relief, especially to the poorer class of people who can't afford to buy a whole ton at a time. With the assistance of City Sealer Dennis Kelly, a standard measure will be set, also a price per measure, and a pedlar violating will be subject to prosecution.

GARLICK TO WED SOUTHERN BELLE NEXT THURSDAY

Second Lieutenant E. Earle Garlick, Q. M. C. N. A., is to be married on Thursday, December 6, at high noon to Miss Ruth Jordan, granddaughter of Mrs. Isaac B. Pringle, of 735 Myrtle avenue, at whose home the marriage will be solemnized.

An interesting fact in connection with the wedding is that it will take place on the fortieth anniversary of the wedding of Lieutenant Garlick's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Garlick of State street. Dr. Garlick is medical examiner.

Simplicity will characterize the ceremony, only the relatives and a few of the closest friends of the couple to be present. Lieutenant Garlick has been granted a furlough from Dec. 5 to Dec. 15. Both young people are very well known here for while Miss Jordan, whose home is in the South, has been here but a comparatively short time, she has made many friends.

Lieutenant Garlick has made an enviable reputation for himself since being stationed at Camp Devens. He is supply officer for the 801st Ammunition Train of the 78th Division. He received his commission at Plattsburg on Aug. 27, and started on the opening of Camp Devens with the supply train, later on being assigned to the important position of supply officer to the Ammunition Train.

Lieutenant Garlick is a graduate of the Yale Law School and was practicing his profession as a member of the law firm of Garlick & Swain. He was also assistant prosecuting attorney.

FLOUR SHORTAGE TO BE RELIEVED

The flour shortage which for the past few months has caused so much inconvenience to the needy housewife is apparently at an end. Regular shipments of large quantities are now expected and officials of the New England Steamship Co. are contemplating on enlarging their flour storage space. A sugar shipment of about 10,000 pounds is hourly expected and according to reports which circulated about the wholesale district this morning it will be but a short length of time before they will be in a condition to supply the demands of the retailers and restaurant proprietors.

"NOTHING SHALL TURN U. S. ASIDE UNTIL THE WAR IS WON AND GERMANY DEFEATED" PRESIDENT DECLARES -- PEACE AT THIS TIME OUT OF THE QUESTION -- DOES NOT FAVOR IMMEDIATE WAR ON TURKEY AND BULGARIA -- CLEARLY DEFINES WAR AIMS, AND OBJECTIVE WHICH WHEN ATTAINED, WILL MAKE PEACE POSSIBLE.

STRIKING EXCERPTS FROM WAR MESSAGE MADE BY PRESIDENT

"It is impossible to apply any standard of justice as long as such forces are unchecked and undefeated as the present masters of Germany command."

"Our present and immediate task is to win the war and nothing shall turn us aside from it until it is accomplished."

"Those who desire bring about peace before that purpose (the defeat of Germany) is achieved, I counsel to carry their advice elsewhere. We will not entertain it."

"We owe it, however, to ourselves, to say that we do not wish in any way to impair or to rearrange the Austro-Hungarian empire."

"I hear men debate peace who understand neither its nature nor the way in which we may obtain it, with uplifted eyes and unbroken spirits."

"The German power, a thing without conscience or honor or capacity for covenanted peace must be crushed."

"You catch with me the voices of humanity that are in the air. They grow daily more audible, more articulate, more persuasive, and they come from the hearts of men everywhere."

ALL NATIONS OF WORLD TO READ WILSON'S SPEECH

Washington, Dec. 4.—The international character of President Wilson's address, which will be delivered at 12:30 o'clock today, is indicated by the fact that the government already has placed it for simultaneous publication in practically every capital in the world.

The fact that the government also has taken steps to have the document placed in the hands of Ambassador Francis in Petrograd is taken as an indication that the address will deal also with the situation in Russia.

Although the address was not entrusted in advance to American newspapers or news distributing associations, it already has been placed with the London office of Reuters, the principal European news distributing agency, which in turn is to supply others in Europe. Indirectly the address will get to Berlin and the other Central power capitals.

Its world-wide distribution is also evidenced by the fact that it will be available for publication today in China and Japan.

SENATE TO VOTE WAR ON AUSTRIA ON NEXT FRIDAY

Washington, Dec. 4.—The Senate will be ready to pass a resolution next Friday declaring war against Austria, Senator Martin, majority leader, announced today. The resolution probably will be drafted at the state department. Some debate, but no considerable opposition is expected. Chairman Flood plans to call the House foreign affairs committee together tomorrow.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Immediate declaration of war against Austria-Hungary was recommended to Congress today by President Wilson.

The President did not, however, recommend a declaration of war against Turkey and Bulgaria at this time.

Immediate war against Austria, the President told Congress, was necessary to meet the anomalous situation that the United States faces in its war with Germany, even though Austria was not her own mistress and merely a vassal of Germany.

The same logic, he said, would lead to war against Turkey and Bulgaria, but they do not yet, he said, stand in the path of the United States in its war against Prussian autocracy.

In ringing definite terms the President declared that nothing shall turn the United States aside until the war is won and Germany is beaten. All talk of peace, he pronounced out of the question.

Peace, the President declared, could come only when the German people make it through rulers the world can trust; when they make reparation of the destruction their present rulers have wrought and when Germany recedes from all the territory acquired by armed conquest.

The president spoke as follows:—

Gentlemen of the congress: Eight months have elapsed since I last had the honor of addressing you. They have been months crowded with events of immense and grave significance for us. I shall not undertake to detail or even to summarize those events. The practical particulars of the part we have played in them will be laid before you in the reports of the executive departments. I shall discuss only our present outlook upon these vast affairs, our present duties and the immediate means of accomplishing the objects we shall hold always in view.

I shall not go back to describe the causes of the war. The intolerable wrongs done and planned against us by the sinister masters of Germany have long since become too grossly obvious and odious to every true American to need to be rehearsed. But I shall ask you to consider again and with a very grave scrutiny our objectives and the measures by which we mean to attain them; for the purpose of discussion here in this place is action and our action must move straight towards definite ends. Our object is, of course, to win the war and we shall not slacken or suffer ourselves to be diverted until it is won. But it is worth while asking and answering the question, when shall we consider the war won?

From one point of view it is not necessary to broach this fundamental matter. I do not doubt that the American people know what the war is about and what sort of an outcome they will regard as a realization of their purpose in it. As a nation

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CITY THREATENED WITH THOUSANDS OF ENEMIES IF WE WAR ON AUSTRIA

With the threatened declaration of war by the United States on Austria, approximately 7,000 subjects of the latter country will be thrown into the alien enemy class and will be governed by the same restrictions now in force over unnaturalized Germans. According to the actual census compilation of aliens completed in May by Assistant Supt. of Police Charles H. Buckley there were 6,045 Austrian subjects in this city, excluding Slovaks and Slavonians.

These subjects will be forced to obtain permits to enter restricted zones or to leave the city. The work of the police and government agents will be more than tripled as when German aliens were registered it was found that there were a few more than 500 in the city. It is also expected Austrian-Hungarian subjects who have taken out first papers will be included in the restrictions.

It means that several thousand of these subjects, still under the citizenship of Austria-Hungary, now living in the vicinity of East Bridgeport munition plants, will be forced to vacate their homes and move out of the restricted radius. Eventually they may be moved back 100 miles from the coast.

ALIEN ENEMY IS WEIGHTED DOWN WITH ARSENAL

Whether Geza Hajdus, a native of Austria-Hungary, and resident of South Norwalk, has been operating in this city or elsewhere in the state as an agent for enemies of the United States, is what members of the state police department are trying to determine, today, in consequence of the discovery of a number of weapons and a quantity of ammunition in the man's possession, yesterday.

The man's record is being investigated today, and strange developments are anticipated. Hajdus came under suspicion yesterday, when he was visited at his home by State Policeman Frank Virelli and Detective Sergeant Hunt, of the South Norwalk police, and found to have on hand a veritable arsenal, consisting of a riot gun, a rifle, three rifle barrels and stocks, two fully loaded revolvers, one of .45 calibre, with a barrel a foot and a half long, and a large amount of ammunition.

Search for a motorcycle and sidecar stolen from a man residing in Devon led the officers to Hajdus's house, it having been reported to

them that the missing motorcycle had been seen going through Bridgeport, about a week ago, with an altered license number on it.

The number was traced and found to be made out to Hajdus, but was for a Yale motorcycle. The stolen car was a Harley-Davidson machine, and it was one of that make that Hajdus was riding when he was seen in Bridgeport. The investigation following brought to light the weapons yesterday.

Hajdus explained to the officers that he was repairing the guns for friends. The weapons were taken away from him and turned over to the chief of police.

Battle Lull Is Noted On All Fronts

London, Dec. 4.—A lull in the battle on the Cambrai front last night, after the terrific fighting of the last few days, is reported by the war office.

Italian Army Headquarters in Northern Italy, Monday, Dec. 3.—(By the Associated Press)—

The enemy activity is now taking the form of demonstrations by the artillery, followed by the infantry, the preparatory gunfire not being so concentrated a character as that usually preceding determined assaults. These demonstrations are either intended to mask movements at other points or are set in motion in the process of feeling the way for the best opening along the Piave and the northern Italian line.

The enemy movements are put into effect principally on the upper Piave.

LINEMAN BARELY ESCAPES DEATH

Coming in contact with a live wire while doing some repair work at the top of a pole, Frank De Long, aged 27, a lineman for the Connecticut Co., received a shock and might have fallen to his death, this morning, but for the timely intervention of a fellow workman who supported his weight until the effects of the shock had passed.

De Long was assisted to the ground, and the emergency hospital was notified. Dr. A. S. Aranki responded and after giving first aid treatment, sent De Long to his home, at 1022 Boston avenue. The man is resting comfortably, and is not in a serious condition.

VOTE ON NATIONAL SUFFRAGE IN HOUSE

Washington, Dec. 4.—National prohibition and national woman suffrage constitutional amendments will be voted on in the house judiciary committee next Tuesday.

THE WEATHER.

For Bridgeport and vicinity: Unsettled, probably light snow or rain late tonight or Wednesday.

Germany and Russia Sign Armistice

London, Dec. 4.—An armistice between Russia and Germany has been signed at the headquarters of Prince Leopold of Bavaria, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam today. The armistice is valid for a period of 48 hours.

Advices received Monday night from various German sources indicated that an armistice was in effect on the Russo-German front, but were not specific as to the actual signing of a formal agreement or as to the period during which hostilities should be suspended.

SEVEN CONVICTS ARE CAPTURED AFTER ESCAPE

Joliet, Ill., Dec. 4.—Seven of the 13 convicts who escaped from the state prison here yesterday morning were captured early today by three posmen near Morris, in a box car on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad. The six others are surrounded, and their capture is expected soon.

The captured convicts offered no resistance. The three posmen were organized late last night after the convicts had stopped a Chicago, Ottawa & Peoria interurban car, robbed the passengers of everything they had, including most of their clothes, and had driven the car to Morris, Ill., where they abandoned it. One posse was led by Sheriff Walter Hendrickson of Grundy county, another by George M. School, and the third by prison guards.

Reports from Morris said that the passengers from the interurban car reached there about midnight, all severely bruised but not seriously injured.

LUFBERY BRINGS DOWN 17TH PLANE

Paris, Dec. 4.—Lieut. Raoul Lufbery of Wallingford, Conn., member of the Franco-American flying corps, brought down two more German machines yesterday, making 17 in all.